

### **PATENT**

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicants** 

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

#### **AMENDMENT**

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# **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

# Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004, please extend the period of time for response 2 months, to expire on January 25, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as shown on the following pages: